



Inspire, Challenge, Learn

THE FAMILY NEWS

POOL HAYES PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dear Families,

There has been a lot going on this week. As always, it's a pleasure visiting children's classrooms and seeing their learning in action.

Some very exciting learning has been taking place throughout school and I hope you enjoy seeing the results of the children's hard work.

Look out for Mr. Carter's Online Safety updates. Each week he shares information to help keep you and your children safe online. This week's update was linked to increasing cyber security in our homes, using a password manager and how to check for breaches.

Mr. Carter is leading an early assembly on Safer Internet Day next week. Don't be surprised if your child comes home full of online safety information for you!

Year 5 had a great time at their school trip to Leicester Space Museum on Wednesday. When they came back to school they were full of beans!

The Eco-Officers and I have a competition planned for the near future. We want the children to write a poem about the environment using some prompts the Eco-Officers give them. Stay tuned for more!

Have a wonderful weekend. I look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday morning.

Kind Regards,

Mrs. Kelly Vaughan

Attendance for This Week

Whole School Attendance

90.5%

Whole School Attendance from September

92.1%

As you can see, our figures are well below average for this time of year. We want our attendance total to be over 96% by the end of the year.

Help us by ensuring your child comes to school as long as they are well enough to attend.



Walsall's Mobile Library visits every Wednesday morning. If your child is due to visit, they will need to return their book or extend the loan. Next week back is the turn of Y3/4

Salus populi suprema lex - "The welfare of the people is the highest law"

Stars of The Week

Our Stars of The Week are as follows;

Nursery
Addison Lee

For making a fantastic train track and then playing with her friends

Reception
Isla Craig
For always trying her best

Year 1
Joey Stokes
For his super answers in science lessons

Year 2
Gurvir Bhogal
For a great attitude to his learning and working hard

Year 3
Madison Rudd
For always being helpful

Year 4
Alfie Dalton-Ahersmith
For an improving attitude to learning

Year 5
Grace Woodhouse
For effort in maths converting mixed number fractions and improper fractions

Year 6
Georgia Sephton
For having a fantastic attitude to homework research

Rainbow Writer

Our Rainbow Writers for this week are as follows;

Nursery
Pixie Barratt
For meaningful mark making

Reception
Arlo Jones
For his super sentences in phonics

Year 1
Jaxon Whelan
For working really hard to use his sounds when spelling

Year 2
Marley Kerr
For a great start to her story

Year 3
Jake Everitt
For working hard to write an excellent conversation using inverted commas

Year 4
Hargun Kaur
For her argument against littering

Year 5
Henry Perry
For his exciting story based on a scene in Who Let the Gods Out by Maz Evans

Year 6
Eva Morris
For a fantastic effort in her non fiction text

Lunchtime Stars Of The Week

Reception
Roguan Hughes
For following the Golden Rules

Year 1
Archie Turner-Tomlinson
For being kind, polite and well-behaved

Year 2
Lily Wilkinson
For being very polite and kind to her friends

Year 3
Felicity Austin
For always following the Golden Rules

Year 4
Ryan Tinnirello
For always having a positive attitude at lunchtime

Year 5
Lexi Winder
For always being kind

Year 6
Jordan Bate
For being positive and respectful

Mr Carter's Star Pupil of The Week

Poppy Neath

For being a role model to other pupils

P.E. Stars Of The Week



Our P.E Stars of The Week are as follows;

Nursery

Dottee Southall

For being ready to learn in P.E.

Reception

Hope Falconer

For her wonderful dance moves

Year 1

Harfeteah Singh-Kang

For working hard on improving his hocking skills

Year 2

Chase Holmes

For his brilliant passing skills in hockey

Year 3

Oscar Fearon

For working hard to improve his skills in P.E. lessons

Year 4

Ryan Tinnirello

For working really hard in gymnastics

Year 5

Poppy Neath

For her wonderful attitude in P.E.

Year 6

Taranvir Singh

For his ambition and enthusiasm in P.E.



PHP's TT Rockstars

Our Maths Stars of The Week are as follows;

Year 2

Leah Brittle

For great work on her times tables

Year 3

Seth Footman

For putting in the most effort on TTRockstars

Year 4

Alfie Dalton-Athersmith

For improving his average score

Year 5

Zeb Ward

For his quick recall

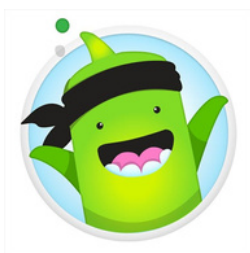
Year 6

Ishmeet Kaur

For a super attitude towards maths tasks

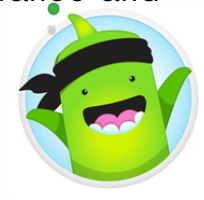
Diary Dates

7th Feb - Safer Internet Day
16th Feb - break up for half term
17th Feb - INSET day - children not at school
27th Feb - Children return to school
2nd Mar - World Book Day (non-uniform)
17th Mar - Comic Relief
24th Mar - Annual Reports Home to Families
27th Mar - School Cloud opens to book
parents' evening appointments
29th Mar - Parents' Evening for families
wishing to discuss their child's report



We are an official Class Dojo school!

Look out for the latest news on Class Dojo. Contact Mrs Vaughan with any out of school achievements you want to share with the PHP family. Please include any photos and let us know whether you want us to anonymise the pictures or to publish them as they are. We love sharing and celebrating your children's achievements with everyone.



Absences

Please report your child's absence to school using Professor Attendance on Class Dojo or contacting the office. You can use Class Dojo or the school absence line. This is part of our attendance and safeguarding procedure.

Early Help

Things can get a bit much for most people at times. Have a look at some of the support on offer through Walsall Council for children, young people and families who may be struggling for one reason or another. If you feel we can help you, please contact Mrs. Davis for more information, given confidentially.

https://go.walsall.gov.uk/children_and_young_people/early_help

PHP Menu

Remember to check our termly menu to choose a daily meal. There are lots of healthy options each day. Scan this QR code to download a copy.



Any child in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 is entitled to a free school meal. In Years 3, 4, 5 and 6, if your child is entitled to a free school meal they can also have one at no cost. Paid meals cost £2.15.



Contact Details

Please contact the office with new contact details if you have a change of address, phone number or email address. This is a legal requirement.

Samples of This Week's Work

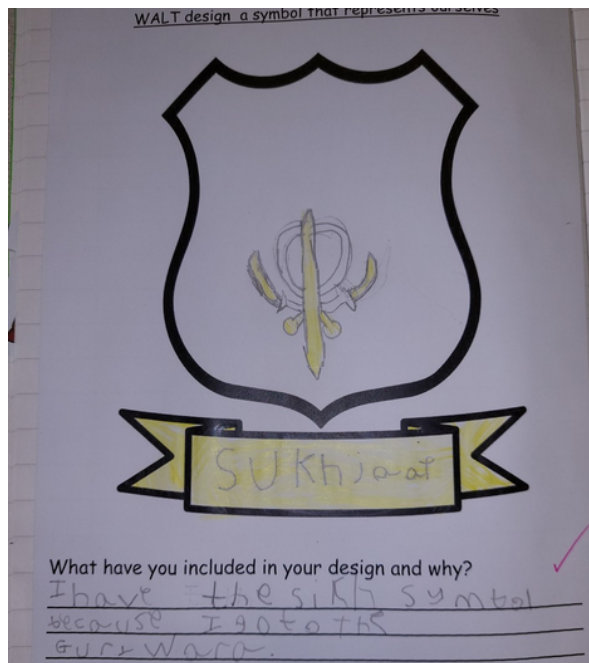
The children have been inspired, challenged and have definitely been learning!



Nursery children have been learning about Chinese New Year and the animal race that led to the animals being assigned a year in the zodiac. The children programmed Beebots with animal pictures on to carry out their own animal race. They used the vocabulary 'first' and 'last' while discussing it.



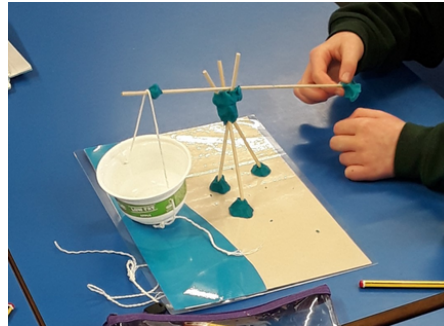
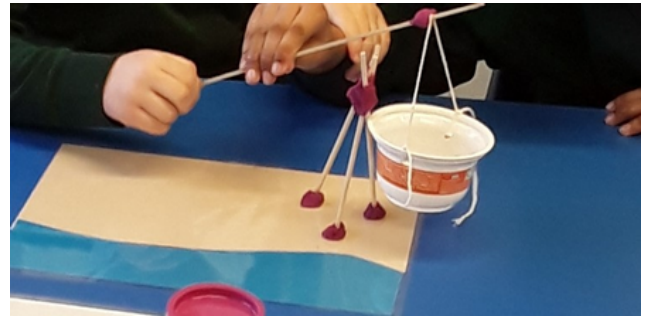
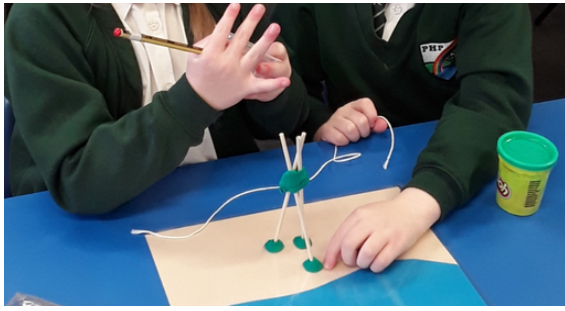
This week, Reception children have also been learning about Chinese New Year. The children used their ordering skills to put the events of the story in chronological order. Look at Roguan's fantastic story map showing the order of the events. Well done, Roguan!



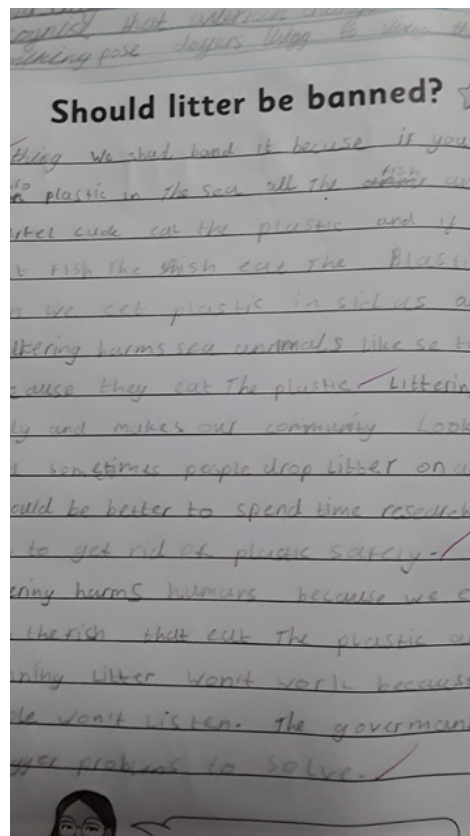
In RE the children have been learning about special symbols with a focus on Sikh symbols. This week, the children designed and drew symbols that represented communities or groups they belong to and are important to them. Sukhjaap has drawn a beautiful design to represent his Sikh faith. Well done, Sukhjaap!



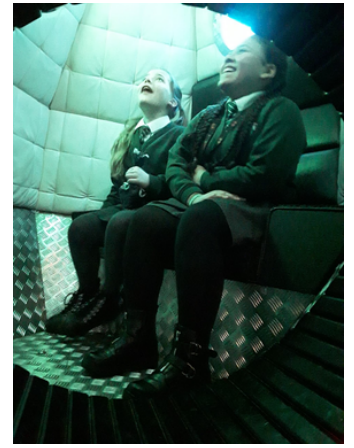
In Year 2, the children have been learning all about money. They worked hard to recognise different coins and notes, make an amount using different ways, find change and solve money problems. This is particularly tricky when so many people use plastic cards or apps to pay for things. Well done, Year 2!



Year 3 are continuing their Ancient Egypt history topic and have been making shadufs. Look at these fantastic examples of them in progress.



Year 4 have been considering how to argue a point effectively. This week they practised constructing and writing a coherent argument. This piece of writing is from Hargun who is (thankfully) arguing against littering.



Year 5 went to space this week...sort of. They visited Leicester's Space Museum and were full of excitement when they returned. They learnt a lot about space and have a deeper understanding of what it is like to travel there. Perhaps we now have some budding astronauts in the class.



Year 6 are working on illustrating their work on ancient Greek Gods. Here are some works in progress! I'm very impressed with this hard work.

Out of School Superstars!



Our Ava has been dancing her socks off again! She placed first in her category at Tamworth Dance Festival this weekend and is rightly very proud of herself. Well done, Ava!

Well done to Eadee whose under 10s team won both of their matches last Sunday. Yet again, Eadee was selected as the Manager's Player! A future Lioness perhaps?



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Well done to Taly who achieved a distinction in her violin exam. She has only been playing for just over a year and was feeling unwell on the day of the exam so this is an incredible achievement. Well done!

